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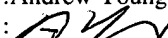
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
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Applicant : **NOSOV et al.**  
Serial No. : **09/509,256**  
Filed : **March 22, 2000**  
For : **X-RAY ABSORBING MATERIALS AND VARIANTS**  
Examiner : **WACHTEL, Alexis A.**  
Art Unit : **1764**  
Our ref. no. : **P-001**  
Customer no. : **28752 (Lackebach Siegel, LLP)**

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Please find enclosed:

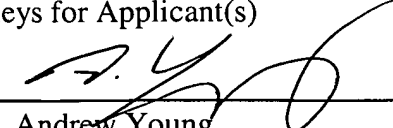
- (1) Complete response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment - signed
- (2) Revised responsive amendment, incorporating the change from "presently amended" to "currently amended" for the claims noted. No other changes have been made. - signed
- (3) This Transmittal Letter
- (4) Receipt Confirmation Post Card.

No Fees are deemed necessary as this submission is within the one (1) month period.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Attached: (As noted above)



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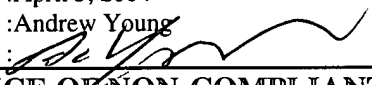
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 4, 2004, setting a one (1) month shortened statutory period for response which expired April 4, 2004 (Sunday), and this response being filed on April 5, 2004 (Monday) is a timely response without fees payable.

It is noted in Item 4(E) that "Please Provide markings to show changes" is of concern. Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to markings in the claims as provided. For example, the amendments are of the "1" (each claim) or the "1" (claims 4, 5) variety. These markings

were originally provided in a proper manner and were made to assist the visual parsing of the claims.

It is noted in Item 4(C) that "each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier as such . . . ." Applicants most humbly apologize for using the phrase "presently amended" instead of the allowed phrase "currently amended," and can understand how this may have prevented the office from determining the "individual status of each claim."

A complete responsive amendment is incorporated in this filing and changing "presently amended" to "currently amended" with a separate certificate of mailing.

It is noted that no fee is due with this filing, as the fee previously due (1-month extension) was paid with the earlier filing.

No new matter has been added.

Applicant hereby petitions that any and all extensions of time of the term necessary to render this response timely be granted. COSTS FOR SUCH EXTENSION(S) AND/OR ANY OTHER FEE DUE WITH THIS FEE DUE WITH THIS PAPER THAT ARE NOT FULLY COVERED BY AN ENCLOSED CHECK MAY BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT #10-0100.

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Attached:

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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SIR:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 4, 2004, kindly amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: (A previous response was filed October 6, 2003 that incorporated authorization to debit the deposit account, attachments referred to herein, and the items noted on the October 6, 2003 transmittal letter.)